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AEP Industries earns Safety and Health Award *Employees work over 349,000 hours without lost-time injury*

FRANKFORT, KY (Jan. 7, 2010) – The Kentucky Labor Cabinet today awarded the employees of AEP Industries Inc. of Nicholasville with the Governor's Safety and Health Award for working 349,441 hours without a lost-time injury or work-related illness.

Labor Cabinet Secretary J.R. Gray today presented the award to company officials during a ceremony at the facility. The award is given to employers and employees who together have achieved a specified number of hours worked without a recordable injury or illness.

Gray said, "AEP Industries' high standards in area of health and safety result in programs that proactively address employee issues and strive to make the work environment a safe and healthy place.

"AEP Industries has incorporated several initiatives to encourage a culture of safety. The facility has implemented monthly central safety team meetings as well as team safety meetings for all employees and a safety incentive program to reward positive safety behaviors."

AEP Industries employs 62 at its Nicholasville plant. The company manufactures over 15,000 types of multi-purpose and flexible packaging films.